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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action requiring restriction dated February 6, 2009, the following remarks are respectfully submitted for entry and consideration. The Action set a 1 month shortened statutory period for response, making this paper dueMarch 6, 2009. This response is timely filed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any necessary fee or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-1935.